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INDO- JAPAN CO OPERATION IN IT SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether India has signed an agreement with Japan to set a timeframe for a joint task to identify areas of cooperation in IT and telecom;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the benefits likely to accrue to India therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a): No, Sir. India and Japan have not signed any agreement. However, in the course of mutual discussions, it has been considered expedient to set up a Joint Task Force to identify areas of cooperation in IT & Telecom.

(b) and (c): Likely benefits enuring to India can be assessed after the Joint Task Force meeting is held when synergies between the two countries in these sectors are likely to be identified.